

INSTRUCTIONS TO TAX-GATHERERS

Circulars Prepared by Auditor Moore Ready to be Sent Out.

AFTER BACK TAXES.

Paper States Law is Mandatory and Must be Enforced—Courts Must Get Busy.

Richmond, Va. Nov. 18. — That Auditor Moore is seeking to enforce the laws of the State as he sees them, is borne out by a circular letter of instruction he is about to mail to examiners of records in all the districts and to commissioners of the revenue throughout the state.

Asked for a statement in connection with the undertaking, Mr. Moore said:

"I will send to the commissioners of the revenue and the examiners of records a circular letter of instructions relating specifically to the assessment of intangible personal property of all persons, etc., who have not been fully assessed for 1913 and previous years, as the law requires. The investigations these officers are called upon to make relate to back assessments of estates which show that the persons leaving those estates were not fully and completely assessed during their life time; also relates to persons living who have not been for previous years fully assessed, as the law requires.

"The present law requires these assessments, and I expect the officers to make them.

"The assessments heretofore made of record in this office and of record in the Clerk's office of every county and city show these omissions.

"I confidently expect the officers to carry out the provisions of this law, and unless they do, it may be necessary to advise the General Assembly that the law has not been enforced, and leave it to the General Assembly to make provisions for enforcing the law where officers have failed to do so.

"So far, in very few of the counties and cities there have been thorough and critical examinations by grand juries of the assessments for 1913. This requirement is mandatory upon every Circuit Court and Corporation Court of the Commonwealth, and I suppose that the courts will see that the law is complied with. Last year I communicated data to each court. This I have not done this year, knowing that they were fully advised.

"All taxpayers have had ample opportunity to make full returns for 1913 and previous years. It therefore, only remains for me to call upon the officers of the state whose duty it is to make assessments for omitted taxes to proceed to make them, and it is my duty under my oath of office to enforce this law as long as it is upon the statute books, and if I am unable to enforce its provisions to specifically call the attention of the General Assembly to the difficulties encountered so they may provide statutes which will make laws operative."

Dr. William Shippen Dead.

Petersburg, Va., Nov. 18.—Dr. William Shippen, aged 52 years, died yesterday at the Petersburg Hospital. For 20 years or more he was a surgeon in the United States army. Dr. Shippen had many relatives in Baltimore, among them being Lloyd Shippen.

FOR SALE—Excellent opportunity to purchase Long Established Wholesale Liquor House in Washington, D. C.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

In an old-fashioned duel with pistols at the regulation distance, Henry Sivad was killed by Louis Guval yesterday at Loreauville, La. Both men were wealthy planters. They had quarreled over a woman.

Leroy Robinson, eighteen years old, son of Silas Robinson, of Dragston, N. J., was shot and instantly killed yesterday by Teddy Laws, thirteen years old. Robinson and a companion were driving near Dividing Creek when Laws advanced to within five spaces of the wagon and, leveling a shotgun, said: "I am going to shoot you." He pulled the trigger and Robinson's head was blown off. Laws said he didn't know the gun was loaded.

The strike of operating employees of the Southern Pacific Railroad in Louisiana, which tied up the movement of the cotton crop, was ended yesterday, when the railroad yielded to the demands of the men to meet a committee of the four organizations. The men were ordered to return to work at once. Mail was piling up at points in Texas and Louisiana, and supplies of merchandise were running low in many towns that have service only over the Southern Pacific.

A double tragedy, evidently the result of a suicide pact between James Elias Griffith twenty-four, and his wife, Verna Margaret Griffith, of Altoona, Pa., which occurred in the Metropole Hotel, at Toledo, some time Sunday night, was discovered yesterday, afternoon. When entrance to the locked room was made by a porter of the hotel the body of the woman was found on a bed. A bullet had entered her left cheek and had passed almost entirely through her head. The man was lying unconscious on the floor with a bullet hole in his forehead. He will die. Griffith refused to say how or by whom he or his wife had been shot.

Letha Perdue, aged 19, convicted last Saturday of involuntary manslaughter for having shot and killed James Kendrick, her brother-in-law, at Huntington, W. Va., paid a fine yesterday of \$25 and court costs, a total of \$71, and was released from custody. Her defense was emotional insanity and the "unwritten law." Miss Perdue shot and killed Kendrick several months ago. She claimed that after the death of her sister, Kendrick's first wife, he had paid attentions to her. He later eloped with a nurse, and it was in the presence of the second bride that Miss Perdue killed Kendrick.

A dispatch from Durban, Natal, Union of South Africa, says the East Indian residents of Natal yesterday declared a general strike, which was accompanied by rioting and the burning of sugar plantations. The police force is insufficient to deal with the rioters, and white women and children are in a state of terror. Troops have been ordered to the distressed districts. In Durban itself practically the whole East Indian community struck work and became so aggressive that a demand was made for the proclamation of martial law. In the country districts hundreds of acres of sugar cane were burned. The revolt of the East Indians was brought about by the exclusive laws in force against them.

Samuel H. Lessey, cashier of the Birmingham National Bank at Derby, Conn., committed suicide in a vault in Oak Cliff Cemetery, on the outskirts of the city, some time yesterday. His body, lying in a coffin, box, was found in the vault by the police late last night. There was a bullet hole in his temple and one of his hands held a revolver. Mr. Lessey had been with the bank for 25 years. President Nettleton, of the bank, declared that there was nothing wrong with Lessey's accounts.

Biting off the end of her nose is the novel revenge in Paris by an Italian, Gaetano Sanglori, on a young woman who had jilted him. The girl accepted an invitation from the young man to take dinner and he pleaded his suit for the last time. As she remained adamant, he threw his arms around her and drew her to him as if to kiss her. She did not resist. But, instead of pressing his lips against hers, he suddenly bit off the tip of her nose. Sanglori has been sentenced to a year's imprisonment for his barbarous act.

STENOGRAPHER IS ARRESTED

Sidney Moulthrop, Senator Lewis's Clerk, Trapped in New York.

FORGERY IS CHARGE.

Had Threatened to Make Public Letters Passing Between Lewis and Washington Officials.

Washington Nov. 18.—Following his alleged threats to make public copies of letters passing between Senator James Hamilton Lewis and Washington officials which would "ruin all of them politically," Sidney Moulthrop, former stenographer of the Illinois Senator, was arrested in New York early today.

For a week a warrant for Moulthrop's arrest has been in the hands of marshals, charging him with forging the name of Senator Lewis on a check for \$240.

Last night letters were received by the President and Senator Lewis signed by Moulthrop, in which he threatened to make public the correspondence which he said would mean the political death of the Senator. These letters were turned over to the secret service, and this department helped the New York and Philadelphia police in locating Moulthrop.

The trial of Moulthrop promises to be sensational. It will be held in Washington.

After the receipt of the letters last night, which were mailed at Hackensack, N. J., it was but a few hours before action came. Warned by underground channels that Moulthrop was in New York, Detective Thompson, of the 125th street station, went to Smith and McNeil's hotel last night, and there found his man pacing about the lobby.

"Good evening, Mr. Moulthrop," said the detective.

"You've made a great mistake," was the reply. But the detective didn't think so and finally Moulthrop confessed his identity.

On arraignment today on the forgery charge, Moulthrop may be given opportunity to make a statement as to the truth of the letters in the Lewis-Pindel affair, and also as to why he threatened the president with "exposure."

Moulthrop is said to have admitted forging Senator Lewis' name to a check for \$240.

FINED FOR RAFFLING CANDY.

Richmond Confectioner Pays \$50 and Costs in The Police Court.

Richmond Va., Nov. 18.—Harry Levy, a confectioner, of 420 Louisiana street, was fined \$50 and costs yesterday morning in Police Court for raffling candy. He paid it. Levy was arrested on Sunday by Detectives G. P. Smith and Bryant, who confiscated a quantity of candy and paraphernalia used in conducting this game of chance.

Chief of Police Werner expressed deep satisfaction over Levy's conviction. "This is just the beginning of the season when candy raffling starts," he said, "and I am confident that Levy's punishment will deter any others who are inclined to start a lottery of this sort."

Major Werner explained that with the holiday season close at hand, dealers begin raffles, which result in many complaints being made at police headquarters. These complaints are principally from parents of children who throw away their money trying to win something for nothing.

Supreme Court Proceedings.

The following cases were argued yesterday in the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia in Richmond: Belmont vs. McAlister; Lanston Monotype Machine Company vs. Times-Dispatch Company. Next cases to be called: Hawling vs. Chapin et als.; Eichelberger vs. Mann; John Diebold & Sons Stone Co. (Inc.) vs. Tattersall's Executors et als.; Jones et als. vs. Buildingham State Company.

DR. McMILLAN'S SERMON.

Baltimore Minister Occupies Pulpit of the Second Presbyterian Church Last Night.

Revival services, according to announcement, began in the Second Presbyterian Church last night. There was a good attendance and the sermon of Rev. Dr. W. J. McMillan, pastor of the Maryland Avenue Presbyterian Church, Baltimore, was listened to with close attention. His text was John xx., 24—"But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came."

The speaker showed in a plain manner what church members so often miss by absenting themselves from the public services. Doctor McMillan called attention to the fact that one of the twelve was necessarily missing, having apostatized, and one of the eleven, supposed to have been among the faithful, was absent at a time above all others when he should have been one of the small gathering to have greeted the Author of their faith when he appeared after having risen from the dead.

The preacher made a practical application of this incident in the lives of the chosen few to show how disciples from that day since have missed so much by staying away from church on frivolous pretenses. The command, "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is," was emphasized by the minister.

Services will be held tonight at 7:45 o'clock, when Dr. McMillan will again occupy the pulpit. Miss MacDonald, of Washington, will be the soloist tonight.

CONFEDERATE SOLDIER DEAD.

R. N. Roland, Old and Well-Known Citizen, Dies at His Home Last Night.

R. N. Roland, one of the best known of Alexandria's citizens, and one of the oldest subscribers of the Alexandria Gazette, died at his residence on north Royal street last night at 10:50 o'clock. Captain Dick, as he was favorably known, had been in ill health for a long time. He was a brave Confederate soldier and served with the 17th Virginia Regiment during the civil war. He was in the 77th year of his age and had been employed in the railroad shops for 42 years—first with the Virginia Midland and later when the Southern took charge. He was a factor in Fourth ward politics in his younger days, and while he did not seek office for himself, he was sought after by willing aspirants. He was at one time a member of the Board of Fire Wardens from the Fourth ward, a position which he had not sought. He is survived by five sons and three daughters—Messrs. Enoch, Ernest, Richard, Charles and Grover, and Adeline, Alice and Rosa. Among those who are left to share in their loss are 35 grandchildren and six great-grand children. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias and R. E. Lee Camp, Confederate Veterans, which organizations will follow his body to the grave.

LARCENY OF COPPER WIRE.

Over Four Hundred Pounds Found by Officers Near a Stable.

Sergeant Wilkinson and Officers Young and Norris last night found over four hundred pounds of copper wire near a stable on Cameron street, between Royal and Pitt. It was taken to the station house and later the officers arrested William Nowlin and Joseph Buckley on suspicion of stealing the same. Buckley subsequently admitted having been a party to the removal of most of the wire found from a shed at the Portner Brewery. The remainder it appeared, had been taken from poles on Henry street.

The accused were brought before the Police Court this morning, when Buckley was made a witness for the prosecution. He repeated the story he told the officers.

Nowlin was sentenced to serve six months in jail, and the case against Buckley was continued with the assurance that should he violate any laws he would be tried on the charge of being an accessory to Nowlin.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our most appreciative thanks to all those who so kindly extended their assistance and sympathy to us during our recent bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Goldworthy. Rosemont.

STEFANSSON IS LOST IN ARCTIC

Explorer, Ten Scientists and Crew of Fifteen Perish.

SUCCUMB IN OCTOBER.

Search For Party Proves Futile—Met Fate of Others Who Penetrated Polar Regions.

Seattle Nov. 18.—That Vilhjalmir Stefansson, Arctic explorer and discoverer of the "blonde" Eskimo, together with ten scientists and a ship's crew of fifteen was lost in Northern waters during the heavy October weather, is not doubted by sailors returning today from the Polar regions.

Stefansson and his ship were last sighted off Flaxman Island, August 14. Nothing has been seen of the ship since that date, in spite of the fact that extensive search has been made for the ship and her party.

Stefansson, in charge of the Canadian expedition, left Victoria, British Columbia, last July. The Karluk, in command of Capt. Robert Bartlett, had sailed a few days before. Stefansson joined the ship at Nome during the latter part of July.

The Stefansson Arctic expedition differed from most of the other polar undertakings in that its objects were practical and commercial. Its purposes were to learn whether a polar continent exists, to map the island already discovered east of the mouth of the Mackenzie river, to make a collection of the Arctic flora and fauna; to survey the channels among the islands in the hope of establishing trade routes; to make a geological survey of the islands which are believed to contain copper and other minerals, and to study the Eskimos of Coronation Gulf, on the main land of South Victoria land. No effort will be made to reach the North Pole; that was to be left to Amundsen, who will sail into the Arctic next summer. The expedition expected to return to Nome in September, 1916.

WAR ON MINE OWNERS.

Federation of Labor Votes to Support Michigan Strikers.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 18.—Flery speeches were made in the American Federation of Labor convention yesterday attacking the Michigan copper mine owners, whose employees are on strike. Resolutions demanding for contributions for the support of the strikers were adopted.

President Samuel Gompers said the convention undoubtedly would adopt a resolution if it were presented demanding investigation as to how the Calumet and Hecla Company obtained title to its copper land.

The resolutions which were adopted set forth that the mine owners had ignored the demands of the men, spurned their attempts at conciliation and in many ways treated them with contempt; have imported gun men, thugs and so-called detectives into the strike zone, and these men had deliberately killed strikers, cold blood, assaulted women and beaten and terrorized children.

Resolutions were adopted as follows:

Advocating the construction of all naval vessels in navy yards.

Urging higher wages in the navy yards and a Saturday half-holiday for Government employees.

Requesting the Secretary of the Treasury to enforce the law against importation of convict made goods.

Demanding Government supervision of unloading of vessels so as to protect the lives of longshoremen.

Favoring direct investment of postal savings deposits in school district bonds.

The report that President Gompers was considering retirement, and would be offered the post of historian of the federation and editor of the official paper, was denied by him.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Oriental Court, No. 10, gave a banquet last night at James Magner's cafe on north Royal street.

The Retail Merchants' Association will meet tonight.

James A. Brown, of this city, was yesterday granted by the Circuit Court of Fairfax county a decree of absolute divorce from his wife, Addie L. Estes Brown.

Alleging misconduct and naming a co-respondent August Schmidt yesterday filed suit in Washington for absolute divorce from Rosa Schmidt. Plaintiff also asks to be awarded the custody of their two children. They were married in Alexandria, May 15, 1902.

The committee of women in charge of the oyster supper to be given shortly by Alexandria Nest of Owls held a meeting this afternoon at the Young People's Building to perfect their plans.

Funeral services of Mrs. Mary E. Young who died Sunday were held this morning from St. Mary's Catholic Church. Interment was in St. Mary's cemetery.

In the Corporation Court today a suit for divorce was entered by Mrs. E. na L. Scanlon against her husband, Thomas P. Scanlon. Deserion is given as the ground. The plaintiff is represented by Machen and Jesse.

The Board of Trustees and Lady Managers of the Alexandria Hospital will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of receiving reports from citizens who have been aiding in the movement towards the erection of a new hospital building.

C. W. Wattles qualified in the Corporation Court today as school trustee from the Second ward. Luther H. Thompson qualified as justice of the Peace from the First ward.

LADIES' ANNUAL BANQUET.

The annual banquet of the Ladies of the Macraebes will be given at the Young People's Building this evening at six o'clock preceded by admission of twenty members to the order at Odd Fellows' Hall.

Miss Etta M. England, of Norfolk, is here, and will assist in the ceremonies and will respond to a toast as will Mrs. George Zachery, the commander, and others.

This banquet will be most enjoyable inasmuch as this order has not lost one member by the hand of the Grim Reaper or otherwise. Many guests have been invited.

CHARTERS ISSUED.

Charters were issued by the State Corporation Commission in Richmond yesterday as follows:

A. M. Keen (Inc.) Alexandria, Capital: Maximum, \$10,000; minimum, \$5,000. A. M. Keen, president; J. A. Grant, secretary—both of Washington, D. C.

S. & H. Garage and Reconstruction Company (Inc.) Alexandria, Capital: Maximum, \$15,000; minimum, \$10,000. A. J. B. C. Whitaker, president; Hamilton; F. J. Hardesty, secretary; Winchester.

DEATH NOTICE.

At his home, 224 north Royal street, November 17, 1913, RICHARD N. ROLAND, aged 77 years. Funeral from the residence on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

EGGS SHIPPED BY PARCEL POST

Valley of Virginia Sending Rabbits in the Same Way.

Luray, Va., Nov. 18.—The egg famine has struck the Valley of Virginia in a way never before experienced. In the Luray market hen fruit is retailing at 35 and 36 cents. Poultry raisers attribute the scarcity in a large measure to the fact that hens are not laying.

Baltimore and Washington families are negotiating with farmers of this country, to furnish many dozens of eggs each week to these families, the shippers utilizing the parcel post. Rabbits are being shipped to these cities through the same agency.

UNITED STATES TO BLOCKADE MEXICO

Rumors of Huerta's Resignation as Army is About to Rebel.

ACTION OF GERMANY.

Wholesale Arrest of Dictator's Enemies Add to Tense Situation.

Washington, Nov. 18.—There were rumors in Mexico City today that President Huerta would resign on Thursday; that the army would rise against him; that he had placed many of his enemies in prison. Each added to the tenseness of the situation.

Lord Cowdry after a conference with Ambassador Pate at the American embassy in London declares that he would not back General Huerta, against the buzz saw or the steam roller, and that promises of concessions by the new congress would not entice him to support the Huerta government.

It is denied in Washington that any move has yet been made to sever diplomatic relations with Mexico.

Alfred Von Hintz, the German minister declared in Mexico City that the American blockade of Mexican ports would begin within three days.

Manuel Garo Adelphi once safe aboard the steamship Espagno, tells followers that Senor Madero was at the head of the plot to poison General Huerta.

Conferences continue between Secretary Escudero at the constitutionalist cabinet and Wm. Bayard Hale, representing President Wilson, and Senor Escudero expects the embargo on arms will be lifted within a few days.

That President Wilson has contemplated plans to crush Huerta by blockading the ports of Mexico, and shutting off from him all arms and supplies was the belief expressed this morning. These plans it is understood have already been communicated to the foreign powers.

The members of the cabinet assembled this morning at the White House for a thorough discussion of the situation. It was evident from their manner that a plan of action is about to be set on foot. It was equally evident that the President's advisers or some of them are gravely concerned over the outlook.

Mexico City Nov. 18.—Admiral Paul Von Heintz, the German minister called president German merchants and business men together, telling them that an American blockade on Mexican ports was to be declared in the next three days.

TEXAS READY TO FIGHT.

Won't Wait for Washington to Act if Mexicans Start Trouble, Says Colquitt.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 18.—"In the event Mexicans start any trouble we will protect our citizens and not wait for Washington to act," declared Gov. O. B. Colquitt late yesterday after a conference with Adjutant General Hatchings.

While no official statement was given out, it is known that the Texas National Guard is in readiness to answer quickly any call which might be made.

The conference was the outcome of a threat by Mexicans yesterday to make Texas "answer to the whole Mexican people" unless mercy was shown. Mexican ammunition smugglers charged with murder.

Governor Colquitt did not apprise Washington of today's events. He said that during a recent outbreak along the Mexican border, Federal troops did not act until the Texas Rangers had been called out.

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